



NEWS RELEASE

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United States Attorney Joe Stecher and the Nebraska State Patrol announce the following information for the attention of the media:

Event Triggering this Release:

Jerry J. Meysenburg, 36, of Columbus, Nebraska, was sentenced for receiving child pornography. The Honorable Joseph F. Bataillon sentenced Meysenburg to a five-year-term of imprisonment. After his release from prison, Meysenburg will begin a ten-year-term of supervised release.

On July 15, 2008, the Nebraska State Patrol was conducting peer-to-peer computer investigations searching for computers involved in the receipt and distribution of child pornography. They identified a computer belonging to Meysenburg as having known images of child pornography in a shared file folder capable of being downloaded by others. A video of child pornography was downloaded from Meysenburg's computer onto a law enforcement computer.

On August 4, 2008, a search warrant was served on Meysenburg's residence. A total of 17 videos and 29 still photographs of child pornography were located on the computer. During an interview with investigators, Meysenburg admitted to searching for child pornography on LimeWire.

Name of Defendant: Jerry J. Meysenburg

AKA:

Age: 36

City of residence: Columbus, Nebraska

Crime(s) Charged and Potential Penalty (A CHARGE is merely an accusation and every defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty): Receipt of Child Pornography. Maximum penalty - 5 to 20 years imprisonment, five years supervised release, \$250,000 fine, and \$100 special assessment.

Specific Location of Alleged Crime: Columbus, Nebraska

Location of Arrest: Columbus, Nebraska

Alleged Dollar Loss/Type and Quantity of Drug:

Others Charged in Same Scheme:

Relevant Dates:

Date of Alleged Crime: On or before August 4, 2008

Federal Arrest Date: September 18, 2009

Date Complaint Issued:

Indictment Returned Date: September 16, 2008

Initial Appearance Date: September 19, 2008

Plea or Trial and Date(s): Pled on June 1, 2009

Sentencing Date: August 31, 2009

Next Court Hearing Type and Date: N/A

Assigned Magistrate Judge: The Honorable Thomas D. Thalken

Held without Bond, or Released from Custody: Released to Pretrial supervision on September 22, 2008

In Continuous Custody Since: N/A

Assigned District Court Judge: The Honorable Joseph F. Bataillon

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